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MESSAGE FOR CHIEFS, CONTACT OFFICES IN U.S.A.

The announcement in this morning's press regarding the appointment of a Task Force by Herbert Hoover for CIA and related intelligence activities results from conversations which the DCI has had both with high officials in the Executive Department and with Mr. Hoover. This study will follow the pattern set with respect to general activities of the Hoover Commission in studying and recommending reorganizational plans in the Executive Branch of the Government. We believe that this study can be helpful to us in connection with further legislation to establish career service and to deal with certain outstanding problems as between CIA and other intelligence agencies. The DCI has stated to the press that he welcomed the proposed action, and he is also so notifying General Mark Clark who will head the Task Force.

The DCI feels that this action can be turned to constructive accomplishments and that there is nothing here of a disturbing nature.